

# **The HealthGuard PPO Plan**

## **Summary of Benefits for the Employees and Retirees of the State of Vermont**

### **What Does “PPO” Mean?**

- The term “PPO” describes a “Preferred Provider Organization” plan. The “HealthGuard PPO Plan” is a plan that is based on a national network of health care providers who have contracts with our Plan Administrator.

### **It’s Your Choice**

- You get access to quality care at the lowest out-of-pocket costs available under your plan by seeing network providers. You are not required to coordinate care through a Primary Care Physician. You also get the **freedom to choose** providers who aren’t part of the network. Your benefits are the highest when you see “preferred providers”, but you’re still covered for visits to non-network providers at a higher cost share.

### **Drug Plan**

- The program is administered by Express Scripts, Inc. The annual deductible is \$25 per covered person per year. The new plan covers 90% of the cost of generic drugs, 80% of the cost of preferred brand drugs and 60% of the cost for non-preferred brand drugs. For the 2014 Plan Year, the maximum out-of-pocket cost per individual per year is \$775 (which includes the deductible). **40% copay drugs do not contribute to the maximum out of pocket limit.** At the local pharmacy, you show your drug plan card and pay your copay; the State is automatically billed for the balance of the cost. The drug plan also features a mail order option, with the convenience of direct home delivery for long-term maintenance drugs.

### **Important Medical Plan Features**

- **Preventive care services** for you and your children are described in the Benefits Highlights and paid at 100%.
- **Emergency and urgent care are covered** wherever you go, worldwide, **24 hours a day**.

BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p><b>Doctor Office Visits such as:</b>  <u>Preventive Care/Well Care:</u>            Periodic Physical Exams (Children and Adults)            Routine Immunizations and Injections            Adult/Child Medical Care for Illness or Injury            Procedures performed in a Physician's Office</p>	<p><b>THIS TABLE SHOWS HOW MEDICALLY NECESSARY SERVICES ARE COVERED AFTER YOU HAVE MET YOUR ANNUAL MEDICAL DEDUCTIBLE.</b></p> <p>100% 100% 80% 80%</p>	<p><b>THIS TABLE SHOWS HOW MEDICALLY NECESSARY SERVICES ARE COVERED AFTER YOU HAVE MET YOUR ANNUAL MEDICAL DEDUCTIBLE.</b></p> <p>60% 60% 60% 60%</p>
<p><b>Routine Mammograms</b></p>	<p>100%</p>	<p>100%</p>
<p><b>Specialist Office Visits such as:</b>            Office Visits-Consultations and Physician Services            Well Care (Includes Pap Test and PSAs)            Procedures Performed in Physician's office</p>	<p>80% 100% 80%</p>	<p>60% 60% 60%</p>
<p><b>Inpatient Hospital Services including:</b>            Semi-Private Room and Board            Physician Services            Diagnostic/Therapeutic Lab and X-ray            Drugs and Medication            Operating and Recovery Room            Radiation Therapy and Chemotherapy            Anesthesia and Inhalation Therapy  <b>Inpatient Surgeon's Charges</b>  <b>Second Surgical Opinion</b></p>	<p>80%</p> <p><b>All inpatient hospital admissions required Precertification. Call the toll free number on your ID Card.</b></p> <p>80% 80%</p>	<p>60%</p> <p><b>All inpatient hospital admissions required Precertification. Call the toll free number on your ID Card.</b></p> <p>60% 60%</p>
<p><b>Outpatient Facility Services includes:</b>            Operating Room, Recovery Room, Procedure Room and Treatment Room including:            Physician Services            Diagnostic/Therapeutic Lab and X-rays            Anesthesia and Inhalation Therapy</p>	<p>80%</p>	<p>60%</p>
<p><b>Outpatient Preadmission Testing</b>            Office Visit            Outpatient Facility</p>	<p>80% 80%</p>	<p>60% 60%</p>
<p><b>Laboratory and Radiology Services such as:</b>            MRIs, MRAs, CAT Scans and PET Scans            Other Laboratory and Radiology Services</p>	<p>80% 80%</p>	<p>60% 60%</p>
<p><b>Short-Term Rehabilitative Therapy including Physical, Speech, Occupational and Chiropractic Therapies</b></p>	<p>80%</p>	<p>60%</p>
<p><b>Prescription Drugs</b>  <b>For both Retail and Mail Order Drugs Combined:</b>            Annual Deductible (Separate from your medical deductible)             Plan Pays             Your 2014 Annual Maximum Copay, excluding deductible            2014 Maximum Out-Of-Pocket expense per year</p>	<p>\$25 per individual/\$75 per family</p> <p>90% for generic drugs, 80% for preferred brand drugs, and 60% for non-preferred brand drugs            \$750 per person            \$775 per person (\$750 maximum copays plus \$25 annual deductible), and then the plan pays 100% for the rest of the calendar year.</p>	<p>Covered in-network only</p>
<p><b>Emergency and Urgent Care Services</b>            Physician's Office            Emergency Room, Urgent Care or Outpatient Facility            Ambulance</p>	<p>80% 80% 80%</p>	<p>If true emergency, benefits are the same as the in-network benefits. If not a true emergency, benefits are paid at 60%</p>
<p><b>Maternity Care Services</b>            Initial Office Visit to Confirm Pregnancy            All other office visits  <u>Delivery</u>            Hospital Charges            Physician Charges</p>	<p>80% 80%  80% 80%</p>	<p>60% 60%  60% 60%</p>
<p><b>Inpatient Services at Other Health Care Facilities</b>            Including Skilled Nursing, Rehabilitation and Sub-Acute Facilities</p>	<p>80% - 60 days maximum per calendar year* <b>All inpatient hospital admissions required Precertification. Call the toll free number on your ID Card.</b></p>	<p>60% - 60 days maximum per calendar year* <b>All inpatient hospital admissions required Precertification. Call the toll free number on your ID Card.</b></p>

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<b>Home Health Services</b>	80%	60%
<b><u>Family Planning Services</u></b> Office Visits (tests, counseling) X-ray/lab if billed by separate facility Vasectomy/Tubal Ligation (excludes reversals) Inpatient Facility Outpatient Facility Surgery in Physician's Office	80% 80%  80% 80% 80%	60% 60%  60% 60% 60%
<b><u>Infertility Services (Up to \$50,000 Lifetime Maximum)</u></b> Office Visit (tests, counseling) X-ray/lab if billed by separate facility Treatment/Surgery (includes in-vitro fertilization, artificial insemination, GIFT and ZIFT.) Inpatient Facility/Physician's Charges Outpatient Surgical Facility/Physician's Charges In Physician's Office	80% 80%  80% 80% 80%	60% 60%  60% 60% 60%
<b><u>Mental Health and Substance Abuse</u></b> <b><u>Precertification Required</u></b>	<b><u>IN-NETWORK</u></b> <b><u>PARTICIPATING PROVIDER</u></b>	<b><u>OUT-OF-NETWORK</u></b> <b><u>NON-PARTICIPATING PROVIDER</u></b>
Inpatient Mental Health	100%	60%
Inpatient Substance Abuse	100%	60%
Inpatient Substance Abuse Detoxification	100%	60%
Inpatient Substance Abuse Rehab Facility	100%	60%
Outpatient Mental Health	100%	60%
Marital/Family Counseling	100%	Not Covered
Outpatient Substance Abuse	100%	60%
<b>Durable Medical Equipment</b>	80%	60%
<b>External Prosthetic Equipment</b>	80%	60%
<b>Vision Care</b>	\$100 every two calendar years, no deductible or coinsurance, routine exams and lenses	
OTHER BENEFIT INFORMATION		
<b><u>Annual Deductible</u></b> Individual Family	\$300 \$600	\$500 \$1,000
<b><u>Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum</u></b> Individual Family	\$2,000 plus deductible \$6,000 plus deductible	\$4,000 plus deductible \$12,000 plus deductible
<b>Coinsurance</b>	The plan pays 80% of eligible charges. You pay 20% of charges after the annual plan deductible.	The plan pays 60% of eligible charges. You pay 40% of charges after the annual plan deductible.
<b>Precertification (Inpatient) for Hospital, Skilled Nursing, Rehabilitation and Sub-Acute Facilities.</b>	Member must obtain approval	Member must obtain approval
<b>Lifetime Maximum</b>	Unlimited	Unlimited

**Regarding In-Network and Out-of-Network services:**

- Once the out-of-pocket maximum is reached, the plan pays 100% of eligible charges for the remainder of the plan year.
- All inpatient hospital admissions require Precertification and Continued Stay Review. Call the toll free number on your ID Card.

**Regarding In-Network services:** All services must be provided by preferred providers in order to be covered.

**Regarding Out-of-Network services:** Your out-of-pocket costs will be higher than with a preferred provider.

